

**United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi**  
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**Henry T. Wingate**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Grinnell 1969 BA; Yale 1972 JD  
Began Service: October 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Adjunct Instructor, Golden Gate University (1975-1976);  
Adjunct Lecturer, Tidewater Community College (1976); Adjunct  
Professor, School of Law, Mississippi College (1978-1984); Lecturer,  
Mississippi Judicial College (1980-1984); Lecturer, University of Houston  
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of District Attorneys

**Government:** Special Assistant Attorney General, State of Mississippi  
(1976-1980); Assistant District Attorney, Seventh Circuit Court, State of  
Mississippi (1980-1984); Assistant United States Attorney, Southern  
District of Mississippi, Office of the United States Attorney, United States  
Department of Justice (1984-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk, Community Legal Aid (1972-1973)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1973-1976); United States Naval  
Reserve (1983-1985)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Federal Bar  
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**Louis Guirola, Jr.**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951  
Education: William Carey 1973 BA; Mississippi 1979 JD  
Began Service: April 9, 1996

**Government:** Assistant District Attorney, 19th Judicial District, District  
Attorney's Office (1980-1984); Assistant U.S. Attorney, United States  
Attorney's Office (1990-1993)

**Chambers of District Judge Louis Guirola, Jr. continued**

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western  
District of Texas (1993-1996); Magistrate Judge, United States District  
Court for the Southern District of Mississippi (1996-2003)

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**Keith Starrett**  
District Judge

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**Daniel Porter Jordan III**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1964  
Education: Mississippi 1987 BBA; Virginia 1993 JD  
Began Service: August 2006  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada,  
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**Halil Suleyman Ozerden**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1966  
Education: Georgetown 1989 BS; Stanford 1998 JD  
Began Service: May 1, 2007  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, District Judge Eldon E. Fallon, United States  
District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (1998-1999)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Paneca (1999-2007)

**Military Service:** LT, United States Navy, United States Department of  
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**Dan M. Russell, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1913  
Education: Mississippi 1935 BA, 1937 JD  
Began Service: October 25, 1965  
Appointed By: President Lyndon B. Johnson

**Government:** City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Waveland,  
Mississippi; Attorney, Marine Resources Commission, Marine Resources  
Department, State of Mississippi; Attorney, Board of Supervisors, County  
of Hancock, Mississippi

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1938-1952); Associate, Russell & Favre  
(1952-1965)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1941-1945)

**Current Memberships:** The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar  
Association; Federal Judges Association; Federalist Society of Mississippi;  
Hancock County Bar Association; The Mississippi Bar

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**L. T. Senter, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1933  
Education: Southern Mississippi 1956 BS; Mississippi 1959 LLB  
Began Service: January 1, 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Government:** Prosecuting Attorney, State of Mississippi (1960-1964)

**Chambers of Senior Judge L. T. Senter, Jr. continued**

**Judicial:** Circuit Judge, Mississippi Circuit Court, First Judicial District  
(1968-1979); U.S. Commissioner, United States District Court for the  
Northern District of Mississippi (1966-1968)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1959-1961); Partner, Patterson, Senter &  
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**Current Memberships:** Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; The  
Mississippi Bar

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**Walter J. Gex III**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Mississippi 1962 BBA, 1963 LLB  
Began Service: 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Judicial:** Special Master, Mississippi Chancery Court, Hancock County

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Satterfield, Shell, Williams & Buford; Partner,  
Gex, Gex & Phillips (1972-1986)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Bar Association; Fifth Circuit District  
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**William H. Barbour, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: February 4, 1941  
Education: Princeton 1963 BA; Mississippi 1966 JD; NYU 1966  
Began Service: April 1983  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Henry, Barbour & DeCell (1966-1983)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The Charles Clark  
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